



Jimmy "Jim" Lee Brown

June 24, 1948 - December 13, 2024

Jimmy "Jim" Lee Brown, age 76, of Centerville, Iowa, passed away on Friday, December 13, 2024, surrounded by his loved ones, at MercyOne Medical Center in Centerville.

Jim was born on June 24, 1948, to Ross Jr. and Arliss (Anderson) Brown in Centerville, IA. He grew up attending school in Centerville before serving his country in the United States Army. On March 13, 1968, he was united in marriage to Connie Brookhart in Unionville, MO, and to this union, 3 children were born, Sarah "Chris", Melissa "Missy", and Kenny. Jim and Connie were blessed with 56 years of marriage prior to his passing.

Jim worked at Iowa Bridge and Culvert for 30 years before his retirement. In his younger years, he loved to participate in rodeos where he rode broncs. He enjoyed attending livestock and horse auctions. He was very talented and broke numerous horses at a young age. He enjoyed being outdoors, farming, hunting, and fishing and also enjoyed woodworking. Jim loved to visit with others and never knew a stranger. Above all else, Jim loved his family and cherished all of the time spent with them, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Jim is survived by his wife, Connie; his 3 children, Sarah "Chris" (Charles) Higbee, Melissa "Missy" Head, and Kenny (Tonya) Brown; 5 grandchildren; 11

great grandchildren; and 4 siblings, Stan Brown, John (Cindy) Brown, Ellen Springer, and Mark Brown. Jim is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ross Jr. and Arliss Brown; his grandparents, Ross Sr. and Vera Brown and Grandma Davis; and a son-in-law, David Head.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at Centerville Faith Church with Pastor Ryan McLouth officiating. A luncheon will be held following the service at the Exline Community Center in Exline.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Centerville Faith Church
23851 Hwy 5
Centerville, IA 52544

Tribute Wall

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“ Knew Jim since I was grade school at Garfield school. Communicated always never had a bad word always friendly. Ran into him lots at Joe's Quick Shop. Condolences to Jim's family and friends very sorry for your loss. R.I.P. Jim. Skip and Linda Campbell

Skip Campbell - December 16, 2024 at 03:17 PM

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“ I just met Jimmy when my family came out to Iowa with my dad who was near the end of his cancer journey. For my Dad reconnecting with his extended family and sharing them with his kids and his youngest brother was so important. For my brother and I, meeting the family we hadn't or haven't seen in 45+ years was a gift. Hearing the stories of his childhood and seeing his hometown gave us cherished memories. Cousin Jimmy called my dad every week after the visit and after dad passed he called my mom and I almost as often. The time we had getting to know him and his connection with my dad meant everything. Sharing stories of his family, his life, and his interest in ours was priceless to me. I will truly miss him and am so honored for the time we had. As my Dad shared with us in his last weeks, we are sorry we connected so late in life. We hope to continue to get to know his family and avoid the mistake our dad's made by losing touch. Sending all the comfort and support to all who loved Jimmy. Although we are not there physically, we are with you emotionally as we share the grief of this loss.

Angel Hixson - December 15, 2024 at 01:25 PM

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“ Prayers for Jim's Family at this time of need. Prayers for his family in traveling as weather isn't good. R I P Jim.

Kaye (Sleeth) Ancell Martin - December 15, 2024 at 12:23 PM

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I'm going too miss uncle Jim, he was always teasing me.he was a good man and I was thankful I got to see him even though it was for 10min he will be missed!RIP uncle Jim

Angalene Meyer's - December 15, 2024 at 11:09 PM

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We hope you can take comfort in knowing that Jimmy was loved by many. Please remember that your friends are here to help ease the burden and hurt. You all are in our thoughts, our hearts, and our prayers.

Mark and Thelma Smothers - December 16, 2024 at 07:49 PM